# Community Connection



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#### Pima Opens at the Chula Vista ACF



### Climate Change Update

Chula Vista is again leading the region through its innovative "green" programs. The City's Climate Change Working Group, which is comprised of residents, businesses, and community leaders, is beginning an eight-month process to identify potential future impacts from climate change and brainstorm how Chula Vista can best "adapt" to them. The City is one of the first local governments in southern California to begin this climate adaptation planning process which will help reduce future risks and costs. The City is receiving support from the San Diego Foundation and ICLEI-Local Governments for Sustainability for the planning process and will be showcased by both organizations as a case study.

Because some degree of future climate change will occur regardless of future greenhouse gas emission reductions, this work will be pivotal to ensure that Chula Vista's treasures are preserved for future generations. You can find out more information about the Climate Change Working Group including meeting dates, locations, and topics at www.chulavistaca.gov/clean or by calling (619) 409-3893.

A Pima Medical Institute veterinary student preps for a procedure in the Animal Care Facility's new surgical suite. A ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate the new school building and upgrades took place on January 20.

#### **Better Policing**

Geographic policing is not a new concept, but it will be a new way of doing business for the Chula Vista Police Department.

The department has divided the city geographically into service areas, with L Street/Telegraph Canyon Road as the dividing line. The city is now carved into northern and southern halves. Each area has a designated Captain and District Commander accountable to their service areas. Captain Gary Wedge will oversee the northern area, while Captain Leonard Miranda will lead the southern area. Additionally, Lieutenant Phil Collum will be District Commander for the north side of the city while Lieutenant Roxana Kennedy will be District Commander for the south side.

"It's a way for the divisions to take ownership of their areas, to establish face-to-face contact, if not with individual residents, at least with representatives of groups such as civic organizations and homeowners associations," said Chief David Bejarano. "Geographic policing is a philosophy, not a program."

This philosophy will allow patrol officers to become experts in their designated community. Becoming a familiar face in their neighborhoods will allow them to track trends, foster community confidence and use their field knowledge to target potential issues and solve problems.



Capt. Wedge and Lt. Kennedy

**Literary Speed Dating** 

Happening this month:

Meet your novel friends or maybe a

new love at the library's Literary Speed

speed dating style, participants have five minutes with each partner to talk

at the Civic Center Branch Library for

ages 21 and over only. Registration is

required; please call (619) 691-5069.

Dating on Friday, February 12. In classic

over your favorite books. From 6-8 p.m.



**Southern Area** 



Capt. Miranda and Lt. Collum

# **Northern Area**

## Did You Know...

#### Make Sure You're Counted!

The 2010 census forms will be mailed in March and the questionnaire asks only 10 questions. What residents may not realize is how critical those 10 auestions are.



IT'S IN OUR HANDS

Many important decisions are based on the demographic information the census collects. The results will affect everything from the number of representatives we elect to the state and federal legislatures, to the amount of federal funding that comes back to our community for schools, transportation infrastructure, and social services. An accurate census count in 2010 will help guarantee that our City and County receive a fair share of federal funds. Please make sure you are counted!

#### Lights, Camera...Action! Do you want to be on TV? A live "studio"

audience is needed on Tuesday, February 23 from 6 – 9 a.m. at Heritage Park. Fox 5 will be broadcasting live from the park for their "Chula Vista Day" morning show. The entire morning programming will be focused on the city, its residents and businesses. The park is located at 1381 East Palomar Street. Don't miss it!

#### Small Business Awards

The Cool California Small Business awards program honors small California businesses and organizations that have demonstrated exceptional success in saving money while cutting their greenhouse gas emissions. Four local businesses were recently honored for making notable, voluntary achievements toward reducing their climate impact. The winners include: High Tech High, Ayra Cleaners, Spirit Graphics, and El Primero Boutique B&B Hotel. The Chula Vista winners received awards in three of four categories, capturing 15% of the awards statewide. Congratulations!

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Animal Control 476-2480 691-5000 Adoptions/Fostering Volunteering Online ACF CLICK HERE

City Clerk Main Line

691-5041 409-1949 Passport Appointment
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City Manager/Administration

691-5031 Main Line Communications/ 691-5296 Media Relations

**Code Enforcement** 691-5280

Conservation 409-3893

**Developmental Services** 

691-5021 691-5272 691-5101 409-5888 Engineering Building Planning Small Business Services Small Business Programs CLICK HERE

**Finance** 

Main Line Purchasing Business Lic. Online CLICK HERE

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**Human Resources** 

691-5096 691-5095 Main Line Job Hotline Volunteering

**Library** Civic Center Branch South Branch EastLake Branch Volunteering Online Branch

**Mayor & City Council** 691-5044

**Nature Center** 

409-5900 Nature Center Online CLICK HERE

Report Crime/Dispatch Report Crime Online

585-5755 397-3980 691-5000

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**Public Works** 

CLEAN Business Program CLEAN Program Online Graffiti Hotline *Graffiti Program Online* Graffiti IN PROGRESS Household Hazard. Waste Park Reservations Reservations Online Storm Water Hotline Recycling/Solid Waste Service Requests Service Requests Online

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Recreation

409-5979 Administration CLICK HERE 691-5083 Recreation Online CV Woman's Club 691-5083 421-7032 691-5082 691-5081 691-5269 691-5086 476-5325 691-5088 Heritage Center Loma Verde Center Loma Verde Pool Montevalle Center Norman Park Center Otay Center Parkway Center Parkway Pool Parkway Gym 691-5088 691-5084 585-5739 Salt Creek Center Veterans Center

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691-5047 Redev. & Housing Online CLICK HERE